

under the FOIA, confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets. The Forest Service will inform the requester of the agency's decision regarding the request for confidentiality, and where the request is denied, the agency will return the submission and notify the requester that the comments may be resubmitted with or without name and address within a specified number of days.

The draft EIS is expected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and to be available for review in June 2002. The EPA will publish a notice of availability of the draft EIS in the **Federal Register**. The comment period on the draft EIS will be 45 days from the date the EPA notice appears in the **Federal Register**. At that time, copies of the draft EIS will be distributed to interested and affected agencies, organizations, Tribes, and members of the public for their review and comment. It is very important that those interested in the management of the Okanogan-Wenatchee and Gifford Pinchot National Forests participate at that time.

The Forest Service believes it is important, at this early stage, to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of a draft EIS must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and connections. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft EIS stage, but that are not raised until after completion of the final EIS may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final EIS.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft EIS should be as specified as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft EIS. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft EIS or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the

statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

The final EIS is scheduled to be completed no later than September 2002. In the final EIS, the Forest Service is required to respond to comments and responses received during the comment period that pertain to the environmental consequences discussed in the draft EIS and applicable laws, regulations and policies considered in making the decision regarding this proposal.

Sonny J. O'Neal, Forest Supervisor, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forests, and Claire Lavendel, Forest Supervisor, Gifford Pinchot National Forest, are the responsible officials. As the responsible officials, they will document the decision and reasons for the decision in the record of decision. That decision will be subject to Forest Service appeal regulation (36 CFR part 215).

Dated: January 25, 2002.

Sonny J. O'Neal,

Forest Supervisor, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forests.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Colville Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Colville Resource Advisory Council will meet on Thursday, February 28, 2002 at the Spokane Community College, Colville Campus Dominium Room at 985 S. Elm Street, Colville, Washington. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m.

Agenda items include: review, modify and approve minutes from January meeting; review, modify and approve RAC bylaws; review and evaluate sample project selection processes and choose a process for future use; review and discuss submitted projects and determine needs for further information or presentations; agenda for next meeting scheduled for March 21, 2002; RAC budget & expenses immediate needs for public communication; and Public Forum.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct questions regarding this meeting to designated federal official, Nora Rasure or Cynthia Reichelt, Public Affairs Officer, Colville National Forest,

765 S. Main, Colville, Washington 99114; (509) 684-7000.

Dated: February 7, 2002.

Nora B. Rasure,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Olympic Peninsula Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Olympic Peninsula Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will hold its next meeting on March 6, 2002. The meeting will be held at the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Center's conference room, 1033 Old Blyn Highway, Blyn, Washington. The meeting will begin at 9:30 am and end at approximately 3:30 pm. Agenda topics are: Introductions; Approval of minutes of previous meeting; Bylaw update; Update on Title III Projects; Review and select process for applications; Presentation of project proposals; Selection of recommended projects and priorities; Public comments; and Identify next meeting date and location.

All Olympic Peninsula Resource Advisory Committee Meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct questions regarding this meeting to Ken Eldredge, RAC Liaison, USDA, Olympic National Forest Headquarters, 1835 Black Lake Blvd., Olympia, WA 98512-5623, (360) 956-2323 or Dale Hom, Forest Supervisor and Designated Federal Official, at (360) 956-2301.

Dated: February 6, 2002.

Dale Hom,

Forest Supervisor, Olympic National Forest.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Tehama County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Tehama County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will hold its second meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on March 14, 2002, and will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at approximately 12:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Lincoln Street School, PDC Room, 1135 Lincoln Street, Red Bluff, CA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bobbin Gaddini, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Mendocino National Forest, Grindstone Ranger District, P.O. Box 164, Elk Creek, CA 95939. (530) 968-5329; e-mail ggaddini@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Introductions of all committee members, alternate members and Forest Service personnel. (2) Consideration of a Vice-Chair. (3) Project Proposals Mendocino, Shasta-Trinity, Lassen. (4) Member Presentations (5) Individual Presentations (6) Project Applications (7) General Discussion (8) Public Comment. The meeting is open to the public. Public input opportunity will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the Committee at that time.

Dated: February 5, 2002.

James F. Giachino,
Designated Federal Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Glenn/Colusa County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Glenn/Colusa County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will hold its second meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on March 7, 2002, and will begin at 1:30 p.m. until approximately 6 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Mendocino National Forest Supervisor's Office, 825 N. Humboldt Ave., Willows, CA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bobbin Gaddini, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Mendocino National Forest, Grindstone Ranger District, P.O. Box 164, Elk Creek, CA 95939. (530) 968-5329; e-mail ggaddini@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Select Chairperson, (2) Operating Guidelines, (3) Recommendation and Agreement

Process, (4) Forest Service Project Proposals/Opportunities w/Nepa Completed. (5) Glenn County Project Idea (6) Next Agenda and (7) Public Comment. The meeting is open to the public. Public input opportunity will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the Committee at that time.

Dated: February 4, 2002.

James F. Giachino,
Designated Federal Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee Meeting; Salmon-Challis National Forest Butte, Custer, and Lemhi Counties, ID

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting of the Resource Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee will meet at 3:30 p.m., February 22, 2002 at the Challis High School cafeteria, 100 High Street, Challis, Idaho. The 15-member committee will establish procedures for evaluating proposed projects and discuss preliminary project proposals for 2002. The meeting is open to the public and time will be scheduled for public comments.

The Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee was established by the Secretary of Agriculture under Title II of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 to work collaboratively with the Salmon-Challis National Forest to provide advice and recommendations consistent with the purposes of the Act.

Dated: February 5, 2002.

George Matejko,
Forest Supervisor, Salmon-Challis National Forest, Designated Federal Officer, Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Winema and Fremont National Forests Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Winema and Fremont Resource Advisory Committee will hold

its second meeting on Monday, February 25, 2002. The meeting will be held in the Gearhart Room of the Lakeview Interagency Office, 1301 South G Street, in Lakeview, Oregon. The meeting will begin at 9:30 am and end at approximately 3:30 pm. The agenda will include a final review and approval of bylaws and operating guidelines, consideration of Title II project proposals submitted by the public and other agencies, and final recommendations for funding of fiscal year 2002 projects.

All Winema and Fremont Resource Advisory Committee Meetings are open to the public. There will be a time for public input and comment. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct questions regarding this meeting to Bill Aney, Designated Federal Official, USDA, Paisley Ranger District, Fremont National Forest, P.O. Box 67, Paisley, OR 97636 (541) 943-4401 or Chuck Graham, Forest Supervisor at (541) 947-2151 or 883-6714.

Dated: February 7, 2002.

Charles Graham,
Forest Supervisor, Winema and Fremont National Forests.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Nevada Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights that a meeting of the Nevada Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 10:00 a.m. and adjourn at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, March 1, 2002, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 4255 South Paradise Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89109. The purpose of the meeting is the orientation of new members and briefing by employment complainants.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Philip Montez, Director of the Western Regional Office, 213-894-3437 (TDD 213-894-3435). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.